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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

L. Carlton Brown, Jr. et al.

Application No.: 09/902,479

Filed: July 9, 2001

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR A  
USER OBTAINING STAMPS OVER A  
COMMUNICATION NETWORK

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 7465

Examiner: Edward R. Cosimano

Technology Center/Art Unit: 3629

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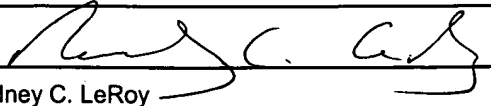
**Listing of the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

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